

CLAIMS

1. An oligonucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence consisting of at least 15 successive nucleotides in the nucleotide sequence consisting of nucleotides 6-44 of SEQ ID NO: 1.
2. An oligonucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence which specifically hybridizes to a nucleotide sequence consisting of at least 15 successive nucleotides in the nucleotide sequence consisting of nucleotides 6-44 of SEQ ID NO: 1.
3. The oligonucleotide according to claim 1 or 2, wherein at least one internucleotide bond is a phosphorothioate bond.
4. A pharmaceutical composition comprising the oligonucleotide according to any one of claims 1 to 3, and a pharmaceutically or veterinarily acceptable carrier or diluent.
5. An anti-HIV agent comprising as an active ingredient the oligonucleotide according to any one of claims 1 to 3.
6. A pharmaceutical composition for treating or preventing HIV, comprising the oligonucleotide according to any one of claims 1 to 3, and a pharmaceutically or veterinarily acceptable carrier or diluent.
7. A method for treating or preventing HIV, comprising administering to a subject in need thereof the oligonucleotide according to any one of claims 1 to 3 in an amount effective therefor.
8. Use of the oligonucleotide according to any one of claims 1 to 3 in the manufacture of an anti-HIV agent or a pharmaceutical composition for treating or preventing HIV.